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Grave robbers didn't find any jewelry — so they took the corpse

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Sub vanishes in Devil's Triangle

Savage man-beast goes on rampage of death in Brazil

WEREWOLF KILLS 37!

By CARLA CAMPANAS
In Sao Paulo

At least 37 people have been savagely murdered in Brazil — and police have identified the killer as a werewolf!

All of the victims lived in the remote farming villages of Jaguariaiva and Itarare, located about 150 miles southwest of Sao Paulo.

The gory reign of death began with the brutal murder of a mother and her two daughters, whose dismembered corpses were found near a graveyard on the outskirts of Itarare.

Since then, the discovery of horribly mutilated bodies in the area has been an almost daily occurrence, and police believe the bestial bloodbath will continue until the man-beast is hunted down and killed.

"First, let me assure you that there is no doubt as to the identity of the killer," District Police Commander Rafael Limon said. "Superstition and imagination are not at work in this case.

"We have hair and skin samples taken from the fingernails of the victims and they are not human. And we have found footprints at each of the murder scenes, and they are human.

"In itself, the evidence is not conclusive, but it corroborates the descriptions given to us by several people who have actually seen the beast.

"They each describe a creature who stands upright, has the head of a wolf and the shaggy haired body of a human."

Louis Palma, whose truck brings produce from outlying farms to the village market, is one of three people who have actually seen the werewolf during one of its nightmarish slaughters.

"It was an hour before dark and I was about 13 miles south of Jaguariaiva," Palma recalled. "When I came around a bend I had a clear view of the road ahead.

"It was then that I saw the creature. He was only a few yards in front of my truck and was clawing at someone on the ground.

"Out of instinct, I suppked my horn. The monster leaped to its feet and took a few steps toward my truck. I thought that I would hit it, but it suddenly leaped off the road and fled through the brush.

"I did not stop, but as I passed the person on the ground, I could see that he was beyond help. All of the man's face had been bitten away. There are many legends in my country about the werewolf and many people have told of seeing the beast. Now that I have seen for myself, I know the stories are not false."

SHOCKED witnesses have seen the shaggy creature tearing apart its victims.

Commander Limon said a detachment of soldiers is being sent into the district from Sao Paulo. "We can only hope and pray that they will flush this beast from his lair and kill it — before more innocent people are killed."

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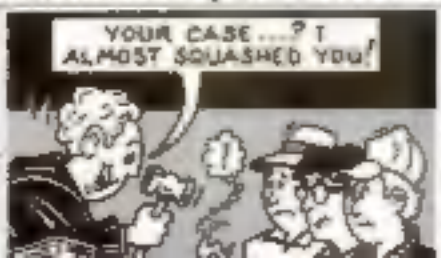

Fishermen wriggle out of fine for digging up worms

Three fishermen were arrested for digging up worms for bait but a sympathetic judge let them off the hook.

The outdoorsmen anglers didn't realize they were violating a 1961 law which prohibits taking worms or any other living thing out of a designated bird sanctuary.

VENGEANCE!

SPLINTERS! A spurned boyfriend used a bulldozer to pick up autos and crash them through the walls and roof of his ex-girlfriend's house. This is what's left.

Chevy takes on the sissies!

Chevrolet is having second thoughts about an ad campaign that implies foreign-made pickups are fit only for sissies!

In a video presentation before 5,000 Chevy dealers and salespeople in Nashville, Tenn., a farmer interviewed about his Chevy truck said he preferred full-size pickups.

"There isn't no foreign company that makes any decent working pickup," he went on to say.

"It's either going to be big or some little faggot truck."

A Chevrolet executive said the interview will be deleted from the video.

"There's probably no reason for us to offend any person or group," he said.

— ALBERT CATALANO

New York dump tops China's Great Wall

The Great Wall of China has long been known as the greatest man-made object on earth. But before 1991 is over, a massive garbage dump in Staten Island, N.Y., will exceed the Great Wall in total volume — when it swells to a whopping 2 billion cubic feet!

— BRIAN [illegible]

Jilted beau batters ex-gal's house with bulldozer, say cops

By JACK ALEXANDER

When a man learned that the woman who dumped him was getting married he got even — by scooping up cars with a bulldozer and slamming them into her house!

The front of her house on [illegible] Street in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, was torn off, the garage was crushed and four cars were destroyed, say police. Damage was estimated to be more than $100,000.

The woman, who unwittingly caused the ruckus, was out jogging when the rampaging romeo, who works for a construction company, drove the dozer up to her split-level home.

He picked up two cars parked in the driveway with the dozer and hurled them at the house, scaring the daylights out of the woman's mother and two sisters, who were inside.

The two cars were demolished and two other vehicles in the garage, including a 1988 Corvette, were damaged.

"People in the house were hysterical," said Police Supt. Des Rowland. "They ran out the back door when the house began to crumble."

Next-door neighbor Teresa Wyrzykowski heard the early morning ruckus and thought her neighbors were remodeling their house until she saw the cars, all crushed. "I said to my Dad, 'Dad, something's wrong.'"

Wreckin' romeo dropped cars through her roof!

The bizarre attack continued for about 10 minutes and stopped when the neighbors threw two-by-fours at the dozer driver.

"They were pretty courageous. They could have been squashed," said Supt. Rowland.

Cops stopped the dozer a few miles from the scene.

"The woman he was mad at didn't even know what had happened until she returned from jogging," said Police Det. Stephen Patterson.

The woman who is in her late 20s, said she had known the man casually for several years, but had wanted nothing to do with him.

"They never dated. It was more of an obsession," said Det. Patterson.

Police have charged Vincenzo Cassolino, 32, with theft, mischief causing damage, assault with a weapon, threatening death and dangerous driving.

Homeless family moves in on rich folks — and eats 'em

A homeless family didn't steal jewelry, silver or other treasures when they invaded a ritzy, 25-room mansion — but they ATE the owners!

"They barbecued Anne and Craig McLaughlin out back by their apple orchard and picked their bones clean," said Constable Geoff Mayson.

The hungry raiders left a note of apology behind. It said simply, "We are desperately hungry. May God forgive us for what we've done."

"The couple were skinned and their blood drained before they were placed over the fire to cook," said Const. Mayson.

[illegible] be delivered mail to the McLaughlin mansion, which is five miles from the nearest neighbor northwest of Taupo, New Zealand.

This is what authorities believed happened on that horrifying night:

McLaughlin, a retired grove owner, and his wife had gone to bed early as was their custom. A niece had talked to them on the phone about 8 p.m.

They were dragged from their beds to a garage and beheaded with a chain saw. Their bloody heads were found in a trunk in a corner of the garage.

Police believe the killers are a homeless family of six that has been wandering the wilds of New Zealand [illegible] homeless band has stayed outside of the law until now. "This is a cannibalistic murder, plain and simple," said Const. Mayson.

Relatives said the elderly victims had planned to do their monthly food shopping the day after they were murdered. "There wasn't much food in their house. If there had been, they might be alive today," said Const. Mayson. The grisly deaths were the first reported cases of cannibalism in New Zealand in at least 40 years. Preparing and eating human flesh was quite common by the Maori tribe of New Zealand at the turn of the century.

Angry victims shut Peeping Tom's eyes — with super glue!

By RICK TRACY
Special correspondent

A Peeping Tom made life miserable for women in his neighborhood until they got fed up with the sneaky creep — and super glued his eyes shut.

"I don't feel a bit sorry for the sleaze bag," said Rose Andnum. "I was afraid to walk by a window unless the shades were drawn."

The pecking punk was a neighborhood weirdo named Gerard Dalbarre, a slimy ham in his early 50's who slept days and roamed the streets of Nice, France, at night.

"We had dozens of complaints about the guy lurking in the windows of bathrooms and bedrooms, but despite our efforts we could never catch him," said Police Inspector Michel Boujeau.

Inspector Boujeau told the distraught women if they could ever catch him in the act to call police. But the women went one better.

Six of them — all in their 20's and attractive — held a meeting and planned their strategy. Armed with a video camera, they set up a neighborhood surveillance. On the second night, three of the gals watched as Dalbarre sneaked up to a bedroom window of Monique Herault as she prepared for bed.

"She purposely left her curtains open with the lights on in the bedroom," said Rose. "And she kept him interested while our camera rolled.

"We had planned to turn him over to the cops, but when we thought of all those nights his beady little eyes had invaded our privacy, we changed our minds," she said.

The five women overpowered the peeper, pinned his hands behind him and instituted their alternate plan — to get even.

They forced his eyes closed and smeared them with super glue to make sure they would stay that way.

"We called police and suggested they call for an ambulance. We knew he would need medical attention," said one of the women, who didn't want her name printed.

Doctors used a special solution to unglue the peeper's eyes.

"His eyes are not damaged, but doctors recommended he keep them bandaged for a few days," said a hospital spokesman.

Police have jailed Dalbarre on several charges.

Docs' stitch in time saves unborn twin

Doctors stitched up a pregnant woman's cervix to save the life of her unborn baby — who would have been born prematurely and possibly dead.

John McKeon, 28, of Bartonville, Texas., went into labor July 8 when her twin babies weren't due until October. Dr. Frank Boehm delivered one twin, who was born dead.

Doctors sewed up her cervix so the second baby wouldn't be born prematurely.

Usually "after the first one's delivered, you break the water of the second one and deliver it and say, 'I'm sorry, try again,'" said Dr. Boehm.

After her cervix was sealed, Mrs. McKeon spent 3½ weeks in the hospital before going into labor again. She gave birth to a son, who is thriving.

Absentminded doc leaves leg in cab

An orthopedic surgeon got a stern reprimand from Tokyo police after he left a severed human leg in the taxi he was riding in.

The absentminded surgeon was transporting the leg from one hospital to another where it was to be used for knee research.

Cops returned the leg, along with a brief note that carried a pointed scolding: "It is illegal to transport human body parts in Japanese taxis."

WAITING in vain — Abandoned dog sits in the Illinois cornfield where he was cruelly dumped by his heartless owner.

Abandoned dog captures the hearts of townsfolk

A sad-eyed mongrel pooch sits and waits day after day amid the stubble of a cornfield where he was shipdogged three months ago by his heartless owner.

By CINDY O'NEIL

But the faithful dog has captured the hearts of the people of Washington, Ill., and they have made sure he has food and water each day.

"Someone just dumped him off," recalled Nikki Lopeman [illegible] little guy. You can just see that poor soul look in his sad eyes."

"At first, about 20 people [illegible] gathered to feed the dog," Lopeman said. "We tried to coax him out of the field because it's getting pretty cold. But, he wouldn't budge."

Animal control made several attempts to catch the dog in a baited cage, but the ruse didn't work.

"Why should he go into the [illegible] anyone is feeding him little scraps?" Lopeman asked.

Residents, angered by animal control's efforts to capture the dog, have posted signs saying, "Do Not Take Our Dog Away!"

They have come to love the dog that waits in vain with such fierce loyalty for his mas-

Nightmare in Monaco!

PRINCESS GRACE'S BODY STOLEN!

Palace denies shocking report!

Special to The NEWS

Grave robbers stole Princess Grace's body from her crypt at the Cathedral of Monaco and, while they haven't contacted Prince Rainier and the royal family yet, it is feared that they will demand a ransom of millions!

The theft of the body allegedly took place on November 7. And even though a spokesman for the palace denies it, other sources say the robbery has been and will continue to be the focus of a massive coverup.

"Where did you hear that? We don't know anything about that," said the palace spokesman, clearly shocked to be queried about the reports. "There's no truth to it. Oh no, no. If there was I would have known about it."

That denial was crumbered by a highly placed palace insider who leaked the story to newsmen in Monaco.

She said: "Grace's body is gone but Rainier and the royal family can't admit it for fear of driving ransom demands through the roof.

"This is a tragedy beyond measure. Rainier and his family have suffered enough."

The circumstances surrounding the reported theft of the body are sketchy. But the palace insider and other sources say it's likely that the thieves chipped through the concrete slab covering Grace's crypt and broke into her coffin looking for jewelry.

If that is the case, they were almost certainly disappointed. Pictures of Grace lying in state following her death of a cerebral hemorrhage after a car crash in 1982 show her to be wearing a simple gold wedding band — and nothing more.

A multi-national search for the grave robbers and body has turned up nothing to date. But the sources say it's only a matter of time before someone calls the palace in Monaco and demands a ransom.

"It's impossible to place a value on a human body but it's safe to say they'll demand millions," said one source.

"Prince Rainier is wealthy. He could come up with the money.

warned him to act as if nothing has happened. They hope that his nonchalance will make the thieves antsiest.

"If they get anxious, they might make a mistake that would lead to the recovery of Grace's body and their arrest."

Princesses Caroline and Stephanie, Grace's daughters, and her son, Prince Albert, are said to be as devastated as Prince Rainier over the theft of her body.

[illegible] up with, especially remembering that Caroline's husband, Stefano Casiraghi, was killed when his speedboat flipped at 210 m.p.h. during a race on October 5.

"There's no such thing as a good time for something like this to happen but I can't think of a worse time," said the palace source.

"Caroline is still mourning the death of Stefano and Grace's body was taken just seven days prior to the anniversary of her death on November 5.

"No family should have to suffer like this.

"My heart goes out to all of them."

Chillingly, the theft of a leading celebrity's body is not without precedent.

Comedian Charlie Chaplin's remains were stolen on March 2, 1978. They were recovered a little over a month later, on May 17.

PRINCESS Grace shortly before she died in a crash in 1982.

Speeder was on a mission of mercy — for his pet hamster

An astonished cop heard the most bizarre excuse for speeding ever when he pulled over a man doing 91 m.p.h. in a 60 m.p.h. zone and was told the driver was only trying to revive his dying hamster.

It seems that Charles Stevens had his pet in the car with him and had gotten caught in traffic jams during an unseasonal heat wave. He told cops he figured if he didn't provide his roaming rodent with a little fresh air the say. "It was getting very hot in the car and the hamster was had run on top of straw in its cage on the backseat," he told police.

"It wasn't very well. I was trying to get air into the car because I didn't want to arrive home with my daughter's pet dead."

Stevens of North Devon, England, was fined $300 for his hamster heroics.

WIFE SCARES HUBBY WITH RUBBER SNAKE

By REBECCA SPALDING

After 40 years of unbearable abuse from her lazy, domineering hubby, a fed-up wife literally scared him to death — with a rubber snake.

Paramedics found her burly, 63-year-old hubby lying dead in a hammock in the backyard of the American couple's retirement home outside Zapote, Costa Rica.

His eyes were wide open, locked in a terrifying stare at the toy snake curled up on his chest.

"The official cause of death was heart attack," said Police Sgt. Antonio La Cruz.

"But if you'd seen his face, you would know he was scared to death. It was frozen in fear."

Cops wouldn't identify the couple other than to say they were Americans who had lived in a retirement community near Zapote for about two years. She is 62.

"The deceased's wife admitted leaving the toy snake on his chest while he relaxed in the hammock, knowing he was deathly afraid of them," said Sgt. La Cruz.

"The woman only meant to scare him, she said. You know, make him jump for a change like he'd been doing to her during 40 years of marriage. It was supposed to be a silly prank, but it just went too far." Though sobbing through lengthy questioning by police, the fragile wife seemed relieved that her agonizing years of torment were finally over.

Fatal prank ends his 40 years of bullying!

"She portrayed her husband as an arrogant, egotistical, overbearing tyrant who treated her more like a servant than a wife," said Sgt. La Cruz. "She hated being a slave."

He handled all their money, ordered her around and even told her what to wear.

She was not allowed to contradict him, question his decisions or sit in his easy chair.

"You name it, she did it — the cooking, washing, cleaning, shopping for groceries, garden work . . . everything."

When there was work that she didn't have the strength to do, he would fake illness and hire someone to do it.

"In fact, he was lounging in the shade at the time of his death while she trimmed the hedges around their yard," said Sgt. La Cruz. "The temperature was in the 90s."

She found the rubber snake that apparently had been left in their yard by a neighbor's child.

It was about three feet long

ESCAPADE

Model inmate Robert Walters used a pass from prison to get drunk, watch a strip show and rub a beak!

"Why I did this I do not know," the Canadian convict told police in Kingston, Ontario. "It wasn't planned. It just happened."

The escapade cost Walters dearly. Officials added two years to his previous prison sentence for a series of armed robberies.

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TO DEATH —

LIFELIKE rubber snake with glass eyes looked real enough to give an abusive husband a heart attack.

with glass eyes and looked real.

"When she realized it was a rubber snake, she tossed it on her husband to scare him," said Sgt. La Cruz. "But the joke backfired. He screamed and went into cardiac arrest."

Prosecutor Felipe Cartago said there wasn't sufficient evidence to charge the widow with anything. "This poor woman has broken no laws of this land," said Cartago. "And if she had, I'm not sure I'd have the heart to prosecute her.

"Her late husband dominated her life for 40 years. She deserves peace."

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A case of shell shock

The owners of a Chinese restaurant got a welcome surprise when workmen uncovered the eatery's decorative fountain and discovered a turtle had been trapped inside for 11 years!

The turtle, which emerged from hibernation in good health, became trapped when the old owners went out of business in 1978 and had the fountain covered with planks.

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Peewee punter

Little Brian Gardner may be small but he looks like a pro as he connects for a 5-point punt in a neighborhood game between the Little Guys and the Big Guys in Kansas City, Kans. Four-year-old Brian and his 5-year-old pal, not shown, took on a couple of bigger boys in the football game. The little guys played hard but were edged out by the more experienced big guys.

Prissy phantom is cleaning up!

House haunted by maid's ghost

The lucky person who buys John Miller's old manor house will get an unusual bonus in the bargain — a little old ghost named Miss Heron who cleans house while residents are asleep.

She makes beds, washes dishes & dusts furniture!

The gray-haired ghost makes beds, washes dishes and dusts the furniture and she's even been known to tank after children over and then, Miller says. She requires no room and board and doesn't demand a salary.

"Miss Heron has been around the house for years," Miller, who lives in Wesley, England, told reporters. "She's a nice ghost.

"Apparently she's attached to the house and doesn't want to leave it. She cleans up all the time, but unfortunately she doesn't do windows. We don't know if it's possible to train her — we haven't tried."

Miller, a schoolteacher, is putting his home up for sale because the 15-room manor house is too much trouble to maintain — even with the assistance of Miss Heron.

The 148-year-old dwelling has been haunted since shortly after World War 2 and people around the farming town of Wesley remember the ghost when she was still alive.

"She was the companion-housekeeper to an elderly servant who lived in the manor," Miller, 30, explained. "She used to wear a brown wool hat and a brown wool coat with long black skirts.

"She was a very eccentric person who talked to herself in French all the time.

"Shopkeepers in Wesley remember that the old lady came to town every day to buy hairpins."

Miss Heron died right after the war in a local hospital. A few weeks later she returned — as a ghost that haunted the manor. From that time on, the little gray-haired lady has been spotted repeatedly, dressed in her dark clothing and tending her former home as she did before she died. She dusts, she straightens the furniture, she prowls through the rooms.

And, incredibly, wherever she passes she leaves a hairpin or two.

"A former owner of the house told me that one morning he got up to discover that she'd washed an entire set of china with 24 place settings," Miller said.

"And one of my boarders got up at night for something and rings back to find that she had made his bed!

"Once, when my daughter was about 6 months old, my wife went into the bedroom and found the baby in her crib, eating a chocolate cookie. The ghost gave it to her."

Miller says he and his family are going to miss Miss Heron when they move to their new home.

But whoever purchases the manor house will get a good deal, he claims.

"It's very reasonably priced and it comes with a servant who works for free."

Ancient workers buried with boss

Ancient Egyptian tombs have revealed evidence that death couldn't separate workers from their bosses.

"We were shocked when we looked at inscriptions of those who were buried in the tombs. Overseers holding their sticks, and behind, skeletons of workers," said Zahi Hawass, an archaeologist on the Giza plateau, Egypt. The workers were members of the foreman's crews, he said.

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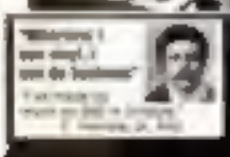

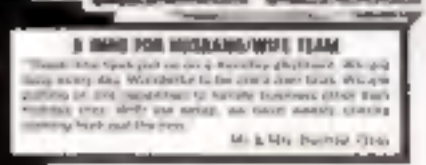

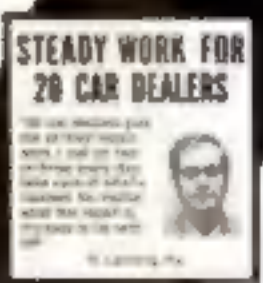

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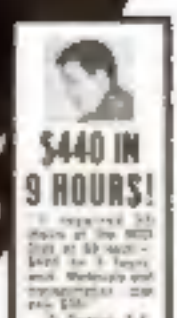

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LEAP — OR FRY!

By ELLA BAGLATO

Hundreds of shoppers and passersby from in horror as screaming people leaped from a burning office building and plunged 100 feet to their deaths on a Rio de Janeiro street.

Brazilian authorities said 24 people perished in the fire of the 14-story downtown office building.

Three of the poor victims chose a quicker, more merciful death.

Rather than face the inferno that had already closed off all escape routes, they jumped from upper stories to the pavement below before the horrified eyes of helpless pedestrian shoppers.

Another 40 persons were hospitalized with injuries suffered in the terrifying blaze.

FRENZIED RESCUERS speed burn victims from a helicopter to the hospital emergency care unit, above. The downtown Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, building is engulfed in flames and smoke, left.

LEAPER plunges to her death rather than face the flames

WOMEN'S SALARIES GAINING ON MEN'S

The earnings gap between men and year-round full-time female workers is getting smaller, according to new statistics of the Department of Labor.

Super chief dies, leaves 11 widows

A chief in Cameroon has died at the age of 132, according to East African newspapers. Maya Ndjoum left 11 widows and 85 children.

WORLD'S HOTTEST GOSSIP

Bob Hope and George Burns make bizarre bet:

BOB Hope said, "When George moved his bed last week, they tested him for steroids."

GEORGE Burns says "Hope took me to a striptease because he liked the music."

$50,000 SAYS YOU'LL CROAK BEFORE I DO!

By JOHN HANNON

Geezer gagmen **Bob Hope** and **George Burns** have made the ultimate bet — $50,000 goes to the creaky comic who lives the longest! And the weird wager has sparked a funnybone war of the wrinkles between the 87-year-old Hope and the 94-year-old Burns.

"I've booked Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas for the year 2000 to have a party. I'm having George's tomb brought over to help me celebrate," said Hope.

"Why, when George moved his bed last week, they tested him for steroids. He's so old that sex is a four-letter word for him — HELP!"

Veteran campaigner Burns countered: "Bob is dying already. Last time he played Caesar's Palace, Julius turned up.

"Hope took me to a striptease show last week because he liked the music. Didn't we all? But when he pinches them it takes him all night to do what he used to do all night," George chuckled.

Hope answered this salvo with a barrage of his own.

"George is at that special age when he's glad a girl says hi," he quipped. "There's only one way to skew George Burns — take the tires off his wheelchair."

But Burns has no intentions of slowing down. He's booked the London Palladium on his 300th birthday in 1996.

"I'll be there. I can't afford to die — it cost a fortune," the cigar-chomping comic says.

Burns' best line: When asked if he ever fooled around on his wife Gracie Allen, he said: "Why bother? I could do

it myself." The aging funnyman hopes against that the winner of their bet will claim his prize from the dead loser's estate. — London Sun.

★ ★ ★

Janet Leigh hasn't taken a shower since eye-balling her mannish stabbing 30 years ago in Psycho.

"I'm proud to have been part of something that has had so much impact," says Janet. "But I just take baths. Even the idea of being closed in a shower bothers me." — New York Daily News

★ ★ ★

Now that he's got an inoperable brain tumor, Republican National Committee Chairman Lee Atwater has found God and doesn't hate anyone anymore. Accused of negative campaigning when he ran George Bush's bid for the presidency, Atwater says, "I have found Jesus Christ. It's that simple. I don't hate anybody anymore. For the first time in my life, I don't hate somebody." — The Sun, Columbia, S.C.

★ ★ ★

Randy Turnbowitz wrote a doctoral thesis at snobbish Supreme Moon Base and now he's doing a sculpture on Michael Jackson. "I think he's a virgin," says Randy.

"I don't think he's gay, but I don't think he's straight, either. I'm trying to find a third category in there for him." — Denver Herald

★ ★ ★

It was no field of dreams for Kevin Costner when the blond emoter shed suit in high school.

"The fact that I was 6-2 as a sophomore didn't help. I'm 6-1 now but still relate to those feelings. I didn't date in high school and didn't get my growth until college. I never got over being short." — Los Angeles Times Magazine

★ ★ ★

John Wayne and author Budd Schulberg, hoping once more to put over a book based upon the classic Hollywood bar fight that ended the silent movie, Mutiny on the Bounty. The Duke put his up, but Budd's fair wife, Geraldine Brooks, played peacemaker.

"Still it never changed his feeling about me or the book. Nor did it ever change my feeling about him," says Schulberg.

By the way, I often saw him as an actor without a drink in his hand. He might have been president. Then he'd have been really in trouble." — Hollywood Reporter

★ ★ ★

Something tells me rapper M.C. Hammer has quite explained [illegible] to the Check out his answer to the question Do you have a girlfriend, or are you married?

"Both these questions are [illegible] Let's just say you're [illegible]" M.C. explained. "I [illegible] say that I do have someone special." — San Francisco Examiner

★ ★ ★

[illegible] think television is boring, [illegible] the Boring Institute. The guy says that it causes television to be boring [illegible] it rots your brain, leads to drug [illegible] and addiction, encourages divorce and wrecks society.

Alan Abel started the Institute in 1959 and each season picks the best of the worst. This fall's selections include [illegible] Sorry, Family Ties, Uncle Buck, Perry Mason, Hull High, Cop Rock, Young Pioneers, Parenthood and Forever Lucky Can't Lose.

Brad Turcill, Fox's outgoing vice president of publicity, says "It doesn't take a genius to predict failure on television." — Palm Beach Post.

★ ★ ★

Vice President Dan Quayle was the prospect speaker at the Society of Professional Journalists convention in Louisville, Ky., recently. When asked about David Duke, the former KKK leader who almost won the Senate race in Louisiana, the veep blasted "Unfortunately, there are some people who think that a weekly paper — it's a cult, a way of life, an attitude."

You couldn't buy that kind of ink if you tried. And that is how one reader sums us up. "It's the only paper that keeps me informed of the human condition." — SPIN

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Well, it gets better.

"The supermarket tabloid is more than a weekly paper — it's a cult, a way of life, an attitude."

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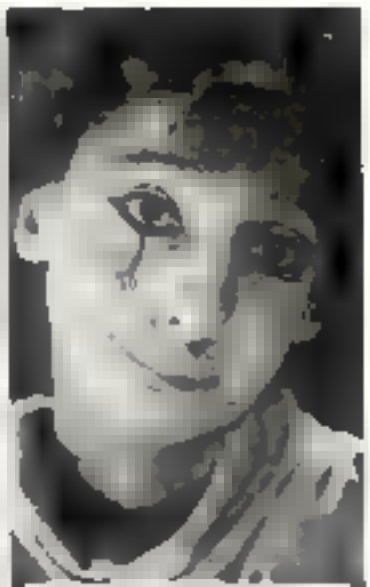

SAD CLOWN: Barry Manilow is said to relate to now.

A nose for abuse

Barry Manilow is man enough to laugh at himself

Sugary pop crooner Barry Manilow not only has heard all the nose, clothes, geek and macho jokes about himself — he actually collects 'em!

This is Barely Manenough's favorite: Record mogul tells the Ethiopian embassy a collection of superstars is cutting a single to aid the country's starving masses. "Think of it!" says the mogul.

"Michael Jackson, Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel, Barry Manilow" — Ethiopians cut him off. "Barry Manilow?" they say. "Hey, we're not THAT hungry!"

And this is how it goes for Barry. Two years ago Dylan embraced him at a party and said: "Don't stop what you're doing, man. We're all inspired by you." Manilow still doesn't know what the hell Dylan meant by this. "Who knows?" shrugs Barry. "He may have been laughing out of the other side of his mouth when he said it, but it didn't seem like it." — *Rolling Stone*.

Lucky lady

Heavenly Hamilton Hamm is becoming a powerful presence in Hollywood. She co-starred in the hit miniseries Lucky and made a splash in such popular movies as Jesse Jingle, The Barbs, Hard to Hold and Grandma II

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AL CAPONE-SKI?

Fur-hatted hoods make Moscow look like Chicago in the 20s!

By LAUREL ROWE
in Moscow

A Kremlin crackdown on tippling has turned Moscow into a scene straight out of *The Untouchables*, complete with bootleg booze, smoke-filled speakeasies — and cigar-chomping gangsters strutting the streets like fur-hatted Al Capones!

"It's absolutely wild, like Chicago in the 1920s," said stunned British businessman Brett Dow after a recent visit to Russia.

"And these gangsters, they have got to be the gaudiest criminals in the world. They rush around trying to act like their hero Al Capone and wind up falling on their faces like the Keystone Kops.

"They've created a little bloodshed, but mostly they just swagger up and down the street, talking out of the side of their mouths and pretending to be tough."

Back-in-the-mad-ski Mikhail Gorbachev brought the drinking culture out of the underworld by slashing harsh vodka sales and jacking liquor prices sky high in an effort to wean vodka-slugging Russians off the sauce.

For a time, accompanied cops stood in lines half a mile long for a chance to get their whistles.

"But the Russians were going to stand for that about as long as the Americans were going to put up with Prohibition," said Dow's business partner Peter Hayden.

"The bootleggers started selling vodka at half price and people began converting their basements and bathrooms into speakeasies just like the Americans.

"They even have peepholes where you announce yourself to get in. You expect to walk down the street and hear people whispering, 'Iran sent me.'"

But for every ruble, you can't beat the ruthless gangsters in pinstripe suits as they rewrite the control of the bootleg booze market.

"They're total throwbacks, and they're living in this fantasy world they must have dreamed up from old James Cagney movies," Hayden said.

"They give themselves nicknames like Boris and Fingers, and they think they're really something — but they're the biggest bozos you ever saw.

"One night guys from two rival 'syndicates' showed up at the same speakeasy at the same time to deliver their load of vodka.

"They started screaming at each other and pushing each other around and waving their old 'Soviet Navy' guns. But before there could be any real damage, a bunch of old drunk men and some fat ladies from the bar ran out of there and were clear running for their lives."

On another occasion, eight embittered Al Capone-ski stopped to shoot it out in an alley — right behind a police station.

"The cops watched through a window until they ran out of bullets. Then they came out and rounded them up," Hayden recalled. "One fellow was killed and they hauled the rest of them away, probably to Siberia.

"Obviously, organized crime in Moscow isn't very organized."

THIS real Al Capone, left, probably never wore a fur hat. But he's shown up that way in Soviet boozy haven.

Just what the doctor ordered

Diners at a unique restaurant in China don't request a waiter about what they're about to eat — they talk to the doctor on duty.

The bistro is part of the outpatient department of the Chinese Medicine Hospital in Hangzhou.

Beside each menu selection is a description of the ailment the food may cure.

Bootleg czars' business booms in Red Square

Newest fashion craze in America — body piercing

A subterranean new fad called body piercing is sweeping the nation. That's right — people are actually punching holes in their noses, nipples, navels and lobes to have rectangular places to wear jewelry!

"You'd never guess what's hiding under the clothing of the people who come into our store," said Elayne Levine, manager of Gauntlet, a body piercing shop in Hollywood, Calif.

Miss Levine says customers spend everything from gold rings to miniature padlocks through their bodies after the piercing is complete. She calls body piercing a national fad and personally sports 15 holes in her ears, nose, wrist, navel, lip, nipples, tongue and the webbing between her forefinger and thumb!

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CANNIBALISM: maybe our oldest Old St. Nick is not here while we're still shooting around in our Bermuda shorts. Here as a freight!

I'm madder than St. Nick with bubble gum in his beard that those money-grubbing merchants have already ruined this year's Christmas by starting their holiday feeding frenzy a week before Halloween!

Let's face it. These scrooges in Santa Claus suits might as well start piping Jingle Bells through the shopping mall loudspeakers in July, for crying out loud. But what makes me so reindeer-baiting mad is that my little grandson Teddy has already had so much Christmas crammed down his throat he doesn't even want to talk to Santa this year!

MY AMERICA

By ED ANGER

You'd think the savings and loan crooks were behind this big-bucks plot to steal Christmas, the Easter egg bunny and Passover matzos, but it's even worse than that.

Retail store bosses don't even talk with the kids here. They used to talk with kids for free in the good old days — kids your age to buy some rip-off plastic garbage at your kid's Secondfest — and the jolly old elves credit cards.

If they start Christmas month earlier these dang shopping mall fiends will have a year-round job for trying our kind.

Well, I'm mad as hell, and I'm not going to take it anymore!

This year the Anger family will celebrate an old-fashioned Christmas, by Bing Crosby! We'll trim the tree and exchange presents on Christmas Eve — and not before!

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And on Christmas Day we'll have a big family dinner with turkey and all the trimmings.

And if I hear one word from anybody about Christmas before then I'll slap the fire out of you and rip you off our guest list.

And as for those greedy toy grabbing mall managers out there, they can take their October Santa Clauses and stick 'em up their chimneys!

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Record shop gives free compact discs to nude customers

A record store was swamped with customers when the manager offered to give away free compact discs — to anyone who stripped naked.

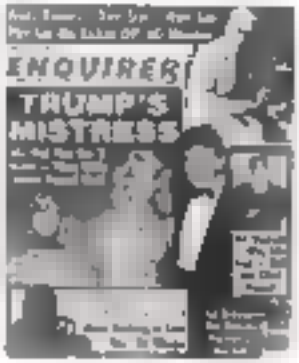
These young gals on the left barely had time to select their favorite disc before the shop in Melbourne, Australia, was jammed with hundreds of people taking all of their clothes off.

And the delighted store owner, Jeff Harrison helped by urging the customers to peel, dance and strip if they wanted the freebies.

Jeff even had a small band to liven the festivities. Band members were naked, too.

"The whole idea was to get people into the store," Jeff explained. "We've had other promotions in the past but they haven't been successful. We had a competition a couple of months before but it didn't work as well as this one.

"Perhaps the hot weather had something to do with it. I'm not sure. But this little idea went sales through the roof!"



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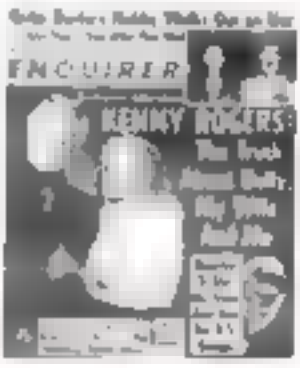

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The incredible four-headed baby was born to an unidentified woman in a Bangkok hospital where doctors say the infant has an excellent chance of living to maturity, barring any unforeseen complications.

By GEORGE BENNETT

Doctors hope that the heads will never be separated.

This is one of the strangest and most fascinating [illegible]

. . . and doctors believe it will live a full life!

Medical experts say the baby's four heads will probably share the body's nourishment and will grow normally.

The four heads usually sleep together although sometimes one will wake up and start crying. Then the others will wake up.

[illegible] the baby craves food. But we have found that all four heads must be fed at the same time.

Theoretically the single baby is capable of sending [illegible] signals to the four brains that the body has. If we feed just one head, the neglected heads will die [illegible]

It is all quite astonishing to [illegible]" Experts who have examined little Four Pong agree that she will most likely live to [illegible] Things [illegible]

[illegible] grow [illegible] Doctors say [illegible] normal life span. Dr. Wilson [illegible] said: "The baby is very [illegible] But as little [illegible] Four Pong can well [illegible]

With a great deal of luck, perhaps she will [illegible] [illegible] But I [illegible] [illegible] And what [illegible] [illegible]

Fairy godmother helps out bride

[illegible] Elaine Bissonnette [illegible] for a beautiful $2,000 wedding dress, but couldn't afford it today — until a fairy godmother helped her out.

The [illegible] got a call from generous Ellen Ferguson, who had read about Elaine and her dream dress in a local paper in Vancouver, B.C., Canada. She offered to pay for the dress as a gift.

"I just wanted to do something for someone," said Mrs. Ferguson, a 68-year-old widow. "I didn't have a daughter to

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Frontier floozies didn't look like Miss Kitty!

HI, COWBOY!

The shady ladies of the Old West weren't all like *Gunsmoke's* Miss Kitty, but they were a bunch of fascinating females, according to an expert.

Yet, unfortunately, little remains in the way of historical data on the Wild West women, says Dr. Anne Butler, author of *Daughters of Joy, Sisters of Misery: Prostitutes in the American West 1865-90* (University of Illinois Press).

The photos of the oldtimers in the pix on this page are some of the few that survived.

They are evidence that beauty wasn't a requirement for the job.

Most Old West prostitutes appeared and disappeared mysteriously in towns like Denver and Laramie servicing soldiers and railroad workers for a while then moving on.

"Statistics on popular legend with these women rarely appeared and settled down to a more prosperous life," Dr. Butler said. "It was a pretty brutal existence."

Wild West's shady ladies were losers

Dr. Butler says she researched the Old West's female lives for 11 years — including an 8,000-mile trip she made lecturing, learning and photographing.

She said the greatest find on that trip was a century's worth of old files and court records she found in a vault in the Carnegie Western [illegible]

— REBECCA SPALDING

BAWDY Lou Bunch was a madam in Central City, a Colorado mining boomtown.

THIS gaudy lass was a beauty by standards of the Wild West

MATT Dillon and Miss Kitty (at) were a world apart from the Wyoming bordello (right)

DEEP SEA GOLDMINE

By JACK RICHARD

[illegible] picture. It's a fabulous find," said president

American photog slips

SADDA

By BERNARD KALB
[illegible] DAILY NEWS

Saddam Hussein wants th
think he's a macho [redacted] but
gay — [redacted] we've got the p
prove it!

The photos clearly show the 53-y
president and a strapping young o
lon caressing by a pool and frolic
water at their secret love nest on
Greek island of Khalki.

The photographer who got the shots says Hussein and his lover later strolled hand in hand into an adjacent mansion, pausing momentarily to kiss while Hussein patted him affectionately on the bottom.

"I had heard the rumors that Hussein was a closet homosexual but I didn't take them seriously until I saw with my own eyes," said Lionel Mears, the Chicago plastic[illegible]

[illegible] will have to [illegible] many weapons [illegible] Saddam [illegible] Gulf to help [illegible] Middle East [illegible]

Spokesmen for [illegible] said they [illegible] and [illegible] that the [illegible] Khalki is [illegible] [illegible]

Other subjects [illegible] that Hus[illegible] with the young and flatly refuse[illegible] rings to wife [illegible]

Saddam Hussein [illegible] never [illegible]

SADDAM HUSSEIN and his companion enjoy a poolside chat at their Island love nest in Greece

Nasty Saddam has rotten teeth, too!

Wacky Iraqi Saddam Hussein is obviously one sick fellow, but all his problems could be cured in a flash if he'd just get his teeth fixed.

That's the bizarre conclusion of Dietmar Berrygood, personal dentist of the late guru Osho Rajneesh.

Berrygood said Rajneesh, the mystic who was jailed out of the United States in 1986, discovered before he died that "man's animal past, including his aggressive instincts, are mysteriously stored in the human dental structure."

The dentist, who now lives in Poona, India, said a little dental work could make Hussein "a blissful human being instead of a blistering warmonger."

"It may sound absurd," Berrygood said, "but it's a lot cheaper than a third World War."

into secret hideaway and snaps . . .

M HUSSEIN

. . . and his GAY lover!

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SADDAM wants the world to think he's a real macho man but an Arab expo photographer has exposed the huge person for what he is.

. . . and these Saddam pix'll knock Baghdad on its butt!

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FOR WEEK OF
Mon., Dec. 26-Sun., Dec. 31

By Countess Sophia Sabah

ARIES
Mar. 21-Apr. 19

This week you may be a server of strength when others need support and assistance. You'll give advice and guidance.

Seldom have you been so persuasive.

Be open to new mental contacts, which could broaden your horizons.

A romance could instead establishing more permanence with a wedding a possibility.

Timing and judgment should be on target and you should succeed at whatever you do.

TAURUS
Apr. 20-May 20

A plan or project may have to be streamlined and reorganized in the light of unexpected developments.

You could be asked to replace some equipment. Don't fight progress!

Listen to one who offers good advice, as they may be able to help you with a problem.

A love relationship may intensify and you could find that your feelings for this person are more than you have ever experienced.

Ask pertinent questions.

GEMINI
May 21-June 20

Let your hair down this week. Plan entertainments with some friends and the future should be brighter.

An one tries harder than you to make sure that everyone is taken care of and provided for.

Please make sure that all of your efforts and preparations are not taken for granted.

A pleasant interlude may add spice to your life. You could be surprised to find that a friend means more to you than you ever imagined.

Look for bargains.

CANCER
June 21-July 22

You may have to adjust to a domestic change that may affect normal status.

Responsibilities have you hemmed in this week. Try to break free of the burden.

Be conservative in money matters this week, as you'll need the extra cash for a rare investment opportunity.

At work and the spirit of adventure may grab you, and you have the urge to kick up your heels and do something exciting.

LEO
July 23-Aug. 22

Focus this week on domesticity. You are particularly vulnerable to outside influences so take it easy, stay home, clean, and watch television.

Love takes a steamy and romantic turn.

Don't involve yourself with anyone else's problems.

You've got the march going for you in to demonstration with the assistance of others.

Give yourself many steps to get a financial matter off the ground.

VIRGO
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Be sure to check contract and arrangements rules carefully as signs predict your chances of being an instant winner are greatly increased at this time.

Watch the mail for good news and rewarding opportunities that week, especially those with an out-of-town postmark.

For men of you who are in love, your feelings for the opposite sex may intensify and you could be ready to go for it!

Interest in any physical activities.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

You may strike a chord of universal appeal this week. A tricky assignment should be completed and you could learn a valuable secret.

Romance is highlighted. Pleasure principle is highlighted.

A romance could take a new swing and you may receive a letter or phone call from someone far away. You'll be pleasantly surprised.

Success is all of your ventures should be a certainty this week. Your efforts may be pushed to the utmost.

This is a week of mixed fortunes.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Stand up and take credit for your own achievements!

Be your own boss! You have taken a backseat to someone for too long.

You'll do just fine if you trust your own instincts.

Risky business and pleasure involves your shrewd judgment.

Change your mind if you don't feel right about a situation.

A pleasant surprise when your cards take the lead responsibility for activities are removed and you finally learn where you stand.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Focus on teaching, learning and attending to basic issues.

A domestic adjustment may be on the agenda this week. Be ready and don't give up anything of value.

You could be at the right place at the right time. Use diplomacy.

You may find a surprise in money matters. You could've saved more than you imagined.

Get ready for a new start.

Your personality sparkles and you should be able to persuade people to consider your views.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

You may be in for a very busy week if you happen to be at home at the right time. Listen for the phone or doorbell to ring and prepare yourself for a big surprise.

Emotional and financial fulfillment are featured this week.

It could be necessary for you to show independence, creativity and willingness to get to the heart of money matters.

For married, the time has never been better to plan a second honeymoon.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

This should be a week of mixed fortunes for you.

You should encounter individuals who are practical and who mean business and can elevate your prestige.

Keep a close watch on financial matters during the next few days.

An old flame could be interested in rekindling the relationship you once shared. Proceed with caution.

A friend or neighbor has your best interests at heart even if it doesn't seem like it.

PISCES
Feb. 19-Mar. 20

You should begin the week on a high note, with a cheerful outlook.

Friends and relatives may keep you busy on the weekend. Money problems may be resolved — you won't get exactly what you want but you should be compensated.

A new partnership is lucky if you play your cards right.

Information which has been withheld may be released and this new knowledge may help you advance.

Your confidence may change and this change will be a favorable one.

If your birthday is this week . . .

This is your year to learn to relax and take life easy.

Your schedule should ease up and many of your worries will be behind you. Prepare you to reenergize on the good life.

That special person you've been clinging on within reach for the first time — but you've got to reach out and grab it.

This is also your year to stop looking around and make up your mind where resistance is concerned.

Don't be afraid to gamble in matters of the heart.

This could be the happiest year of your life.

Your Lucky Lottery Numbers

Readers all over the country are using Countess Sabah's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks. You will find the Countess' Lucky Numbers right here each week to help you become a winner, too! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look down the column under your birth sign in the chart below. For extra luck, throw in your birthdate.

Aries	Mar. 21 – Apr. 19	4, 14, 16, 20, 32, 46	Libra	Sept. 23 – Oct. 22	1, 16, 21, 30, 38, 44
Taurus	Apr. 20 – May 20	3, 14, 17, 19, 35, 39	Scorpio	Oct. 23 – Nov. 21	4, 11, 23, 34, 38, 42
Gemini	May 21 – June 20	2, 11, 17, 24, 28, 44	Sagittarius	Nov. 22 – Dec. 21	7, 14, 16, 18, 36, 44
Cancer	June 21 – July 22	1, 10, 16, 18, 30, 41	Capricorn	Dec. 23 – Jan. 19	2, 12, 16, 30, 36, 42
Leo	July 23 – Aug. 22	10, 20, 23, 27, 40, 50	Aquarius	Jan. 20 – Feb. 18	13, 19, 25, 38, 41, 45
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Dog commits suicide at her owner's funeral

By MICKEY McGUIRE
Special correspondent

An aging mongrel dog named Coco sat whining on a high balcony overlooking a funeral procession for her master. Then the tiny mutt jumped over the edge — in a suicide leap to the street below!

Little Coco's death plunge brought the funeral cortege to a stunned halt. Then the mourners gently lifted her broken body from the pavement and placed it inside her master's coffin.

Within the hour, Coco and Jean Rivard were buried together in a peaceful country graveyard on the outskirts of Nice, France.

"Poor little Coco knew her beloved master would never come back," said Miss Mistard, a neighbor woman who brought the dog into her home after 58-year-old Rivard had suffered a fatal heart attack seven days earlier.

"Coco could not bear to live without him. Somehow, she knew there was only one way to be with him again and she took it. She committed suicide.

"Jean had fought her way death in an alley when she was just a puppy. He brought her home and nursed her back to health.

"That was 17 years ago and they had been inseparable ever since."

News accounts of Coco's suicide leap said the scruffy-looking dog sat out on the balcony for seven days, whining mournfully night and day after the sudden death of her beloved master.

"I couldn't get her into the house," explained Mrs. Mistard, whose apartment is on the top floor of a four-story building next to the one where Rivard and Coco lived.

"She refused to eat any food and would take hardly any water.

"She just sat there, looking down to the street where she and Jean used to walk for hours together.

"She was sitting there that morning when the funeral procession passed in the street below.

"Suddenly, she stood up and wiggled halfway through the balcony rail.

"The sad dog just looked down into the street for a moment. Then she jumped off the edge.

"In a way, I'm glad she did it.

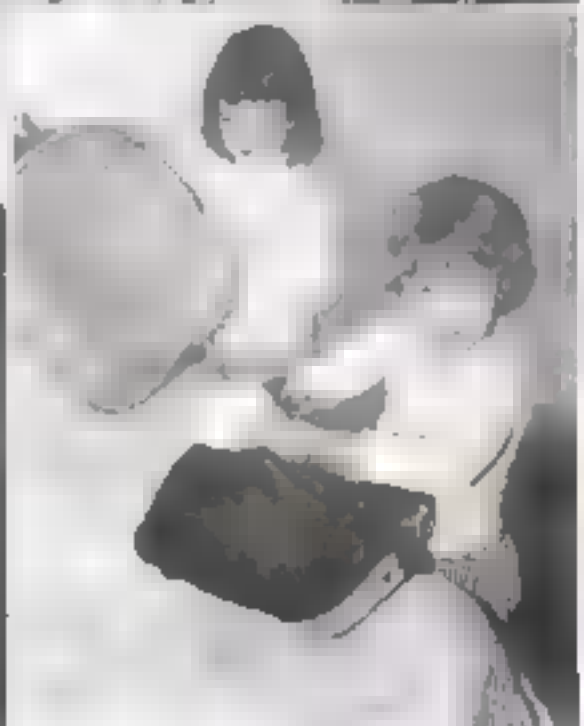
COCO knew her master was never coming back to her.

They were together in life and now they are together again in death.

"It is very sad.

"But that is really the way it should be."

THE RILLOUS with their daughter before the crash.



Friendly cop accused of raping woman motorist

A deputy had a spotless career until a young woman said he stopped her car in the wee hours, handcuffed her and raped her twice.

The 36-year-old woman said Deputy Thomas Stricklin pulled her car over near Orlando, Fla., because of a missing tail light.

"He suspected she had been drinking and gave her a field sobriety test," said sheriff's spokesman Denise Gomez.

"She said he handcuffed her and told her he was going to take her in for more tests, but who wasn't identified, claimed in an affidavit that Stricklin raped her before taking her to her home.

Stricklin, 43, has been charged with kidnapping and sexual battery. He has been jailed without bond and suspended with pay pending an investigation by the sheriff's internal affairs department.

Stricklin has chosen not to give a public statement until the investigation is completed, said Maj. Gomez.

He has been a deputy since 1986 after serving as police chief of the nearby Orlando Naval Training Center. His

This couple traded their girls

. . . for this mom's boy!

NEIGHBORS SWAP KIDS!

Bizarre adoptions have made everybody happy!

By SAMMY LEWIS
Special correspondent

Paul and Marie Gillon swapped their daughters for a neighbor's sons in one of the strangest adoption cases on record.

Even more amazing, the kiddie switch was made with the blessing of government officials who concluded that the trade was in the best interests of both families.

"Adoptions are very serious and this one was certainly no exception," Roger Franck, of the Children's Welfare Office, told newsmen in Antwerp, Belgium.

"But after reviewing the situation we decided that the trade was both appropriate and beneficial. The children are happy. The parents are happy.

"You can't ask for more than that, now can you?"

The Gillons' decision to swap children with single parent Patricia Monami wasn't made in haste.

The families live three houses apart and had known each other for two years before Mrs. Gillon half-jokingly mentioned a trade and Mrs Monami said, "I might take you up on that."

"Paul and I always wanted boys and Patricia wanted girls so the trade was a natural," said Mrs Gillon. "We discussed it with the children and they were all for it.

"At that point we decided: 'Why not?'"

The Gillons and Mrs Monami told authorities of their intention to trade children in July. Adoption papers were drawn up after the required investigations and the families signed them in late September. Now Mrs. Monami's sons Bobby, 5, and Carl, 3, are living with the Gillons. And the Gillons' daughters Jenny, 5, and Kathy, 3, are living with Mrs Monami.

"We still have visitation rights with our natural children so we don't only get our cake — we get to eat it, too," Mrs. Monami said.

Mrs. Gillon added: "My husband and I are thrilled with the trade and we're going to do everything in our power to give the boys a good life with us.

"That's not to say we'll forget the girls. We've got enough love for them, too."

Oddly enough, the child swap is not without precedent. In 1977 two German families traded children after a bitter and lengthy legal battle with the government.

MOMMY Patricia Monami with her sons before the trade

MOMMY boys, Bobby and Carl, get their things together.

Hungarians on UFO blue alert

So many UFOs are being sighted in Hungary that scientists have established the UFO Data Collection Center to coordinate investigations.

One of the most spectacular reports came from bus driver Imre Herceg, who has suffered from headaches and bloodshot eyes since he came face-to-face with a space alien in the village of Kisbajcs on July 26.

"Its pear-shaped head had two slanted eyes. Its snake body was steel blue. And its hands seemed disproportionately long, with four fingers on each one," the still-shaken man said.

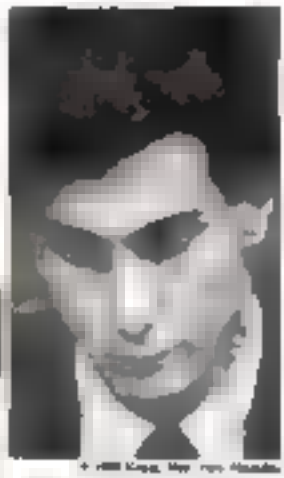
Rich brat gets 50 years for butchering his parents

He slit their throats for taking the car away!

By JACK ALEXANDER

A spoiled-rotten son who slit his parents' throats when they cracked down on his life-style has been sentenced to prison for the next 50 years.

Rich kid Marvin Tankleff, 18, was found guilty of the brutal murders of his parents in their exotic Long Island



VICIOUS Marvin Tankleff

village in Florida. The moody teen slipped up behind his father in the family study, slit his throat and finished him off with the barbell.

Marvin, then 17, mistook his mother for the maid and attempted to go upstairs before he killed her, too. But she managed to run away and hide.

A jury deliberated several days before finding Marvin guilty of two counts of murder.

Billfold bonanza

A lot of faded memories came flooding back when a stranger handed George St. Mary a forgotten memento from his past — the wallet he lost in 1951!

The man unfolding a security system in the Temple Theater in Saginaw, Mich., found the wallet in a crawl space beneath the seat where St. Mary had been sitting 34 years ago.

The wallet still held his driver's license, which expired in 1952, an expired hunting license, 30 faded snapshots and his Social Security card, but no cash. "I never had much money to throw away," 73-year-old St. Mary said.

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'I'm coming back,' he says in exclusive interview!

HOUDINI SPEAKS FROM BEYOND THE GRAVE

. . . just like he said he would!

Master magician Harry Houdini has finally kept the astonishing promise he made just before he died — and has spoken out to us from beyond the grave!

Even more incredibly, the shifty showman has vowed to perform his most amazing escape ever on Oct. 31, 1963 — when he slips the bonds of death and returns to Earth!

"I'm coming back, not reincarnated as a baby but as the man I was the day I died," Houdini told super psychic Celestine Naphta Kabah in an interview from the hereafter.

"I am going to prove once and for all that there is a life after death, and I'm going to tell the people of the world just what they can expect on the other side.

"At last the veil will be lifted from this mystery of mysteries."

The illustrious escape artist made the promise just before his death in 1926 that he would make contact with the living shortly after the allotted allegiance of that plan, but only glimpses," he told Countess Kabah. "Only God Himself knows the whole picture."

But Houdini spoke what he knows of God's plan, Naphta offered these predictions for the remainder of the 1960s and beyond:

■ Virtually every nation will gain horror, under a major war threats over the turn of the century — as prophets foretold, with terror from another solar system.

■ Average life expectancy for humans will jump to 150 years by 2010 when atomic discovers a way to check aging by lengthening our body telomere cure.

■ Discovery of an ancient Greek manuscript describing new historical data will lead to revision in all the world's major religions before 1980.

"There are many more things I could tell you, and I will when I come back in 1963," Houdini said.

But the mystical magician refused to say exactly where we should look for him when he returns from the great beyond. "I may go to Wisconsin," he said. "I always loved Wisconsin."

Just in time!

A man who had been arrested seven times for drunk driving finally lost his license revoked, but only because a new Florida law had gone into effect 20 minutes before.

William T. Brown, 55, of West Palm Beach refused to submit to a breathalyzer test and police pulled his license under

This rooster is no chicken

No one has to guess why Rusty the rooster crosses the road. He's hungry and he knows food is on the other side.

Rusty crosses a busy highway every morning for a free handout at a restaurant in a suburb of Dublin, Ireland.

Customers have erected a sign about five miles in either direction warning motorists of the "Rooster Crossing."

"Rusty usually looks both ways before crossing and sometimes he stops in the middle and waits for traffic, then waddles the rest of the way across," said restaurant

We don't want our $5 million jackpot!

Winner! David Gillis with his $5 million check.

It's too much fuss — the kids can have it!

By JACK ALEXANDER

An elderly couple has been pestered so much by guys with get-rich-quick gimmicks since winning a $5 million lottery — they're giving all the money to their kids:

"We had enough bother to get along with before," said Sarah Gillis, 61. "I never had so much bother in all my life. People calling. Newspapers calling."

Sarah and her husband, David, 61, don't want to go on a cruise, buy a fifty-car or move to a new neighborhood just because they are rich.

"We've got five of the nicest neighbors anybody ever had," said Sarah from their home in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

"My husband doesn't want to be bothered with all that stuff. I'd just as soon live our life the way it was before."

The two oldsters plan to buy "a few little things — like clothes and things for the house" — but 99.9 percent of their winnings will go to their son and three daughters.

Friends have asked the couple why they bought a lottery ticket if they didn't want the money. David had been buying them for years out of habit.

"We lived through the Depression and we didn't have anything," she said. "You raise four children and put them through university and paying school, and all that jam, it just kept us down financially."

Sarah would like for all the pleasure and others who have made a pitch for their fortune to know "the money is spoken for."

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A SAINT HE AIN'T!

California police are looking for a rapist who calls himself "St. Peter, the messenger of the Lord"!

The man has savaged three women so far and in each case he cut off their hair, saying he would present the locks to God in exchange their souls.

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New Devil's Triangle riddle

Sub vanishes & reappears 10,000 miles away

Vessel goes halfway around the world in a second!

By MICHAEL TODD

A Soviet submarine on underwater maneuvers in the Devil's Triangle one minute, surfaced 10,000 miles away in the Indian Ocean the next, Moscow-based researchers report.

But here's the shocker: In the instant it took the sub to travel nearly halfway around the globe, the members of the 83-man crew aged anywhere from five to 30 years, the Soviet experts say.

The incident and results of subsequent testing of the sub and crew through simulators have received unprecedented attention in Soviet scientific and military journals.

The author of three of these reports, research team leader Dr. Alexei Maximov, has openly speculated that the submarine passed through a portal and broke time leading into warps in time and space.

"The sailors feel somehow different," wrote the experimental physicist in the latest and toughest of his reports.

"Although we know little scientifically about the effects on the human body of accelerated travel through time and/or space, we do know that aging, particularly premature aging, is upheaval of

"These men lost five to 30 years of their lives in the span of a heartbeat, seemingly without explanation."

Stymied with Communist Party bureaucrats, Dr. Maximov has also cited the submarine's commander, Nikolay Shcherbakov, as saying that the men felt "strange sensations" while submerged at a depth of about 130 feet.

"Just as suddenly as it began, the shuddering stopped, and I felt the unmistakable sensation that we were surfacing," he said.

"It happened so quickly that we had time to do nothing. Our instruments showed that we were on coordinates placing us 300 miles off the east coastal coast of Africa."

Their location confirmed, the stunned commander requested and received permission to steam immediately for home port, Grigurevskiy in the Black Sea, the Soviet media said.

The crew members, reportedly in shock, were debriefed by Soviet military officials and jetted to a research facility in Moscow.

Dr. Maximov reported that the crew bore the unmistakable symptoms of aging, including "wrinkles, graying of hair, a reduction in elasticity of the flesh and dimness of vision."

"From the standpoint of these individuals, then is, indeed, tragic," he wrote. "From the standpoint of science, it is a blessing beyond measure.

"These transformed men are the doorway to a new vista of understanding — if only we can find the key that unlocks it."

INCREDIBLE! Members of the Soviet submarine's crew aged from 5 to 30 years during the split-second voyage.

Football hero didn't choke — but mom did!

Proud mom Candace Overaker choked to death on a piece of candy while cheering her son during a high school football game! The tragedy unfolded when Shawn Overaker caught a pass as St. Thomas High's game against Montcalm High School in Montcalm, W. When Mrs. Overaker ran home with a shiner a piece of candy she was eating got stuck in her throat.

Her heart failed before anyone could get the candy out, authorities said.

— JEANNE BOLDEN

HOW TO LAND A HUSBAND IN 30 DAYS

By REBECCA SPALDING

If you're worried about winding up an old maid, don't be. Wendy Stehling says anyone can find a hubby — in just 30 days!

The New York author questioned 3,500 men about how they met their women and came up with a book of surefire hints on husband-hunting.

"Guys like to meet girls naturally, not at a bar, but in a non-threatening, non-sexual atmosphere," said Miss Stehling, whose book *How to Find a Man in 30 Days* (Pinnacle Books, N.Y.) has been a cross-way best seller. "Laundromats and grocery stores are good. Jogging is perfect. Most men admire women who are sports oriented."

The writer — who herself engaged in a mass she met while researching her marriage techniques — shared her secrets:

● **Look in the right places:** Check out runners shows, car dealerships, horse races, ski permanents, car washes. Go where the men are and you'll get a date.

● **Take up sports:** Most men love sports and they'll like thinking they can share them with their wife. Skiing, golfing, tennis, shooting and jogging are great ways to meet a man in shape — but be serious about it. Don't just pretend to enjoy the sport. Put your heart into it.

● **Keep your eyes open at work:** It's one of the few places you can really get to know a man well, and the two of you must be. Keep neat and hair will have a lot in common. Smart secretaries go for boss-type bosses — those males have they can be into for years.

● **Keep your figure:** Exercise, drink up the fruit juice weight if you must but try to give up sweets. Stop worrying and drink moderately — men don't want a wife who's one of the boys.

● **Speak up:** Don't be afraid to talk to him when he enters your life. Break the ice with a compliment and use your sense of humor. Men like jokes and friendly banter to check it. Drop the pretense of a new relationship.

● **Accept blind dates:** They don't hurt you and they help build up a path.

● **Polish up your personality:** Men like to talk. Ask him questions about himself. Listen to him. Men love to be fussed over by a woman in an alpha, and almost anyone can learn to flip a steak into the broiler. Check up your hidden flaw (like to think a prospective bride is a tremendous bore while

● **Travel alone:** Men are easy to meet in the first-class section of an airplane or while you're struggling with that heavy suitcase at the bus station.

Bloody awful

Two people who dangled 1,000 feet in the air in a wrecked trolley car escaped unscathed — but they want the ride's owner to pay for having the daylights scared out of them!

● David Baldinger and Jacqueline Didier spent 10 minutes in the Palm Springs, Calif., tram after a huge bolt ripped through it, killing one woman. The pair claim they were splattered with the dead woman's blood.

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Fancy footwork

By JACK RICHARD

Security aides expel stagehorse Dwayne Webber helped nab a pair of shoplifting suspects by clutching into the getaway car and jumping through the windshield of their car.

Webber's head shattered the windshield of the suspects' Mercury Bobcat, leaving them in fine.

Bystanders caught the while Webber was taken to a hospital in Fort Worth, Tex. for treatment of gashes on his right leg.

3-foot-2 woman gives birth!

A 33-inch, 9-inch woman became the world's tiniest mother when she gave birth to a 10½-inch baby boy!

Doctors Trust of India reports that the woman, who was identified only as "Uddell," is a full 2 inches shorter than the previous record holder.

Officials in the woman's hometown of Agra, India, are now trying to get the woman mentioned in the Guinness Book of World Records.

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My fruitcake boss wants to make me his sweetie pie!

Dear Dotti: I've got a problem and you may be the only person on Earth who can help me. My boss says I've got a great career in front of me but only if I go to bed with him.

If I was a woman I might be willing to do it. But my boss is a man and so am I, and the very idea of getting intimate with him (a beast) my career is revolting to me. — Trapped in Weston

Dear Trapped: Get yourself a good lawyer and sue your "fruitcake boss" for sexual harassment! His proposal is patently illegal — and you should make him pay for it!

You will burn in hell, Dotti!

Dear Dotti: When you die you're going to burn in hell. I personally guarantee it! — Sad in Reno

Dear Sad: Don't be a pessimist. People like me go to heaven!

Kids shouldn't get to answer the phone

Dear Dotti: I've had enough to show sadie! I'm a telephone solicitor who just got off the phone with a dude brat who refused to get his mother or dad for me unless I told him who I was. He kept saying "Who's calling? What is your name?" in this snotty little voice. What's wrong with parents these days, Dotti? Don't they have enough sense to keep their stupid kids off the phone? — Furious in Lexington

Dear Furious: That child had every right to answer the phone and ask who was calling, and what you wanted or sell him, he should have hung up. Since you are a telephone personality, you ought to learn a little etiquette. When you call someone, state your name and then ask!

Confidential

Dear Curious in Ill.: No Derek, Rupert Welch, Bruce Welch and me!

Dear Hanging in Morgan Park: For goodness sakes, Mike — take a bath!

Dear Humiliated in Kristee: Don't worry about it. Anyone could get a condom stuck in her there.

Dear Big: I'm sure your wife has, but we never do it in a boat!

Dear Wandering Wife in Lenora: Now why do you think that secretary and tablecloth cried beforehand's death?

Dear Happy Jack in Lapeer: That's fine and dandy. Just don't eat the apples!

Should I dump my shady friend?

Dear Dotti: This is one of my very best friends but a lot of people put her down because she has a "past." She really means a lot to me. Dotti, but these other people might be right. Should I kiss her goodbye or don't she? Please help me decide. — Troubled in W. Va.

Dear Troubled: Good friends are hard to come by and you'd be a fool to give one up without a fight.

Forget what other people say. You know better than they do what True is all about!

Naked neighbor won't stop flashing

Dear Dotti: A few weeks ago I wrote to you about a neighbor who walks around his house naked with the curtains open and you told me to call the cops. I did and they told my neighbor he'd breaking any laws as long as he stays in his house. The nasty sort of thing, Dotti. What do I do now?

— Shocked but in Somerville

Dear Shocked: I'm sure the rest of the things that interests him would bring the cops TO HIS curtains closed!

Mom still treats me like a child

Dear Dotti: I'm a 16-year-old girl and my mother still treats me like I'm 12. She puts me in bed at night and even tells me what time I'm not "little girl." She says I tell her I'm growing up without hurting her feelings? — Needs Help in Kansas

Dear Needs: You sound like an intelligent young lady so I'm going to give you some good advice. Do what your mother says and keep your mouth shut!

Send all yours your letters — and tell it like it is! Just write to: Dear Dotti, c/o Weekly World News, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462.

Ask the Countess

Will God drop a bomb on the bingo game next door?

Dear Countess: I live next door to a church where they play big-stakes bingo on Sundays. In my opinion these people are breaking the Lord's commandment to rest on the Sabbath and one of these days He's going to drop a bomb on them.

Do you think I'm in any danger, Countess? Like I said, I live right next door to this church. — Scared in Iowa

Dear Scared: I don't think you have anything to worry about. If the Good Lord does drop a bomb, you can bet He'd aimed Hell in downtown!

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Dear Countess: I'm divorced and have been going with a married man for two years. He says he loves me and wants to be with me but he can't get a divorce because his wife is sick. I want to believe we will be together someday. Can you tell me if — and when? — Worried in Pasadena

Dear Worried: You're just one of the millions of people who are following my life in these columns and you can do is help me, like cast a spell or something? — Dr. Dee in Tampa

Dear Dr.: Your problem are the result of reading horoscopes, and if I did anything to make them go away, you wouldn't develop normally. I will visit a spell to make you worry less about your relationship and feel good about yourself. That's the most important thing — not worry about your looks.

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Dear Countess: I'm a fine personality and professionally and can't find a man or a woman that suits me. It really bothers me because I'm not getting any younger. Can you tell me if I'll ever find someone to share my life with? — Lonely in Texas

Dear Lonely: Don't worry about it. You're going to meet someone very special in the near future and you'll be very happy together. Just be patient and don't do anything foolish!

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Dear Desperate: Your boss is a married man and you're playing with fire. Stop seeing him before you get burned!

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Whole town scared to death!

Horror-stricken corpses look as if they'd seen a monster!

A hundred lonely farmers and their families lived in quiet solitude in a remote mountain village till some heart-stopping horror descended on the tiny town — and scared every man, woman and child to death!

By LAUREL BOWIE

A shell-shocked cop reported the baffling tragedy after he drove to little Lodi, Chile, looking for a friend — and found 278 bodies scattered across the landscape.

"There were dead people everywhere, lying with their faces twisted and their eyes gaping like they'd just seen Satan himself," said trembling Detective Diego Duncan.

"The place was like a ghost town, except for some stray dogs sticking around with their tails between their legs.

"I don't know what the hell happened there, but something paid a visit to Lodi — and whatever it was, it was horrible."

The distraught detective plowed up on plans that brought dozens of police and medical investigators racing up the rutted, rock-strewn road into the 40-foot village.

"At first it looked like the town had been hit by some dread disease, but when we got closer the bodies we realized it was no epidemic that killed Lodi," said dumbfounded Detective Duncan.

"These people died of fright. There is no doubt in my mind. They saw something so terrifying, their hearts simply gave out on them.

"Every single person in that town just keeled over and died on the spot, and there wasn't an injury or a mark on any of them."

But no sturdy wood cabins near the center of town had been crushed to the ground and an enormous evergreen tree had been pulled up by its roots — stirring speculation that Lodi had been invaded by space aliens or some kind of marauding monsters.

"It looked like some beast had put a giant boot on top of these houses and just trampled them to the ground," said puzzled police superintendent Sergio Pizzo. "And I simply can't imagine what kind of force uprooted that huge old tree and tossed it aside like a toothpick. The experts tell us there were no storms or big winds in the area, so I guess you could say we don't have a clue."

Bewildered investigators are sifting through the rubble of the crushed cabins, checking and sampling and examining the toppled tree in hopes of finding and what evil unleashed [illegible] Did Chilean land-wire thieves devour Lodi's entire death the culprit?

"I had a friend who died in that town, and the man was afraid of nothing on Earth," said the dejected detective. "I don't know what scared my buddy Jorge to death — but whatever it was, it was not from this world."

DETECTIVE Diego Duncan

Chowhounds

County property appraiser Bob Bryant wants the owner of the pit bulls he reimburse him $150 in damages after the dogs tried to eat his car!

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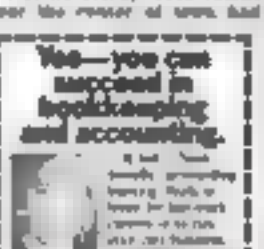

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Yuk! Office workers drank it for 4 months!

WHO WEE-WEE'D IN THE COFFEE?

Workers at a bread company noticed the office coffee had tasted peculiar for about four months, and one day they found out why — a spiteful employee had been peeing in it.

"He sneaked up to the coffee machine when no one else was around and let it fly," said Jeff Simmons, office manager for Merita Bread in Greensburg, N.C.

By JACK ALEXANDER

The 14 office workers re- in late July. "I thought it tas- rolled that the brew from the wif it tasted like urine but I fifteenth began tasting 'funny.' didn't want to tell anyone that."

and beverage. "But every day it got worse."

Simmons and the others switched brands of coffee, cleaned the coffee machine thoroughly and when the same putrid taste emerged they brought a brand new 75-cup coffee machine.

"We were sitting around trying to get the disgusting taste out of our mouths one day when I had to tell them what had been on my mind," said Simmons.

"Somebody's been pissing in our coffee," I said. "But who?"

Then we remembered a delivery truck driver from our bakery in Charlotte had a problem with some of our people outside work," Simmons added.

Simmons and a police detective devised a plan to catch the coffee drinker and catch the culprit in the act. They didn't have long to wait.

The visitor and the office whipped it out and peppered himself on our coffee," Sgt. Hunt told The NEWS. "When we confronted him, he acted like he didn't know what was going on."

Police arrested Dale D. Tomlinson, 48, and charged him with adulteration of food with intent to cause serious injury.

"For some time now, we all had a little bit of that coffee every morning for four months," said Simmons.

Angry co-worker caught taking a leak in the pot, say cops

THE "funny" taste in the office coffee was caused by a spiteful employee's disgusting prank, say cops.

HEADS UP!

One sharp-eyed photographer snapped this bizarre shot of your reporters on a prowl in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Lower your cholesterol — and die sooner!

Everybody's worried about cholesterol because people who manage to lower it through diet and exercise may die sooner, says an expert.

Women people who lower their cholesterol become more aggressive — increasing their risk of death by accidents or suicide!

Girl, 11, dies when mom gives her [redacted] abortion to get rid of Satan's baby!

MOM Rosa Gonzalez was led away in handcuffs after she told a judge she gave her daughter a fatal abortion.

TRAGIC Rosa Fernandez Gonzalez, 11, died during a home-made abortion performed by her mom and two friends.

An innocent 11-year-old died in agony, authorities say, after her mother became convinced she was carrying Satan's baby and gave her a homemade abortion!

Little Rosa Fernandez Gonzalez, a sixth grader, was killed when her mom, assisted by two friends, reached into her body to remove her "fetus" and pulled out the girl's intestines, according to police reports.

By SUSAN MADISON

"She was pregnant by the Devil," the child's mother, Rosa Gonzalez, told a judge at her arraignment. "We were following God's orders."

"This is just an unbelievable tragedy," sobbed little Rosa's uncle, Jose Ibarra. "We would have thought that my sister-in-law would do something to help her own daughter."

"I don't understand why the neighbors didn't call police when they heard little Rosa's screams. She'd still be alive right now if they had."

But neighbors of the Gonzalez family in Almansa, Spain, say that although they heard loud shouting and moans in the early hours of the morning, they heard nothing to alert them that they should have called for help.

It was the day after little Rosa's death that a neighbor noticed a stream of blood running from the Gonzalezes' doorway and called authorities.

And when police arrived a few minutes too late to the only thing for the dark-haired girl was to cover her body with a sheet.

"The officers entered the house and went up to the second floor, where they saw scenes they'll never forget," said José Montero, who investigated the murder for a Spanish magazine.

"In one of the bedrooms they found the corpse of the girl Rosa Fernandez completely nude and covered with blood.

"Her intestines had been pulled out of her body, the result of an 'abortion' performed by her mother and two friends. In a corner of the room they also noticed Rosa Gonzalez, the mother of the girl, her clothes covered in blood."

Police say the two who killed little Rosa also attacked the child's aunt, injuring her seriously when she tried to help Rosa. Rosa Gonzalez and sisters Maria Hernandez and Maria Rodriguez Kapanilla have been arrested and are being held pending trial.

"We still don't understand why this happened," said uncle Jose Ibarra.

Drink water — and live longer

On the occasion of her 115th birthday, Canadian Ann Griffiths of Elginview, Ontario, told how she lived to such a ripe old age: "I drink eight glasses of water a day and smoke one cigarette a year — on New Year's Eve."

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Trivia

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● Guess what's the most used word throughout the world in any language. Give up? Would you believe — O.K.?

● The most common disease in the whole wide world is decaying teeth!

● While we're on the subject of teeth — have you ever wondered how they get the toothpaste into the tube? Well, they put it in at the bottom and then cramp it shut — except in the case of striped toothpaste. That's squirted into the back of the tube by a special machine. The rest of the process is a secret!

● There is strong evidence to support the belief that chimpanzees are smarter at birth than are previous human babies.

● Next to the United States, the country with the most hospitals in the Soviet Union!

● You might think General Motors or Ford would have been first to offer part belts. First in Nash Rambler belts both, bringing them out in 1950.

● Napoleon's sister Pauline was so proud of her breasts that she commissioned an artist to sculpt a nude statue of her.

● Do you know how many active volcanoes there are on Earth? Five hundred including America's own Mount St. Helens.

● If you just can't seem to save any money, you're not alone. Two of five American wage earners are in the same boat, statisticians report.

● The Canada goose doubles its weight every week for the first month of life. If a human baby did the same, it would tip the scales at about 100 pounds at the tender age of 4 weeks!

● Boys with divorced parents have far more behavioral problems than do girls in the same situation, studies show.

● The Wizard of Oz made his home in Emerald City, but do you know who lived on the Emerald Planet" Kaemon, a Japanese sci-fi hero character?

● Former U.S. Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara's middle name is Strange.

● Advertising journalists the world in Russia claim that Soviet ice cream is much better tasting than ours.

● Albert Einstein owned wore socks. He believed they were more trouble than they were worth.

● Rome has been around for a long, long time, but it's only been the capital of Italy since 1870.

● Long before Britain ruled the seas, the Vikings were the world's greatest sailors. They didn't have citrus fruits to eat on long voyages to avoid scurvy but the sauerkraut, which prevented the crippling disease.

● Teenagers in Switzerland get a break at the bank. They get a higher rate of interest on their savings accounts than adults do.

● The state with the highest percentage of people who walk to their jobs is, strangely enough, Alaska. Then come North Dakota, Montana and South Dakota, also cold states.

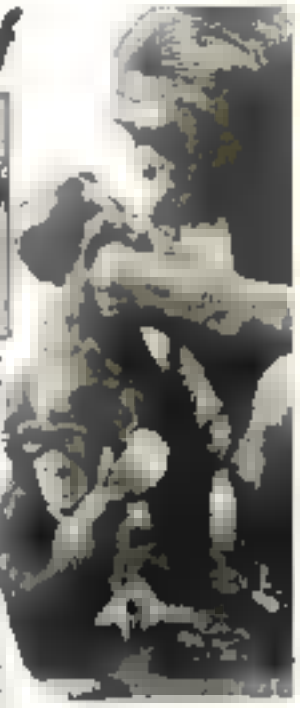
● A goose flying has an average life span of 20 hours of strenuous flying.

● Here's something to keep in mind when you're watching your manners. Experts agree that a man should always take off his hat before he kisses a woman in public.

● The song Linda was at the top of the hit parade for several weeks in 1960 so it's not surprising that Linda is the most popular name for 41-year-old women.

● The men of Los Angeles buy more skin creams and hair sprays than the men in any other city in the world.

● The famous Alps mountain range of Europe falls across seven different countries. They are Switzerland, Austria, France, Italy, Liechtenstein, Yugoslavia and tiny Liechtenstein.



RALLY champions are eager to start another harvest.

Crew flattens wrong house

Dozer Downer was dumbfounded when he drove up to his home and saw a wrecking crew — ripping it to pieces.

"What the hell's going on here?" Downer chomped on the wrecking ball knocked his antique fireplace.

"Somebody's made a terrible mistake."

But before the horrified homeowner could get their attention, every door in his Melbourne, Australia, home had been destroyed.

The wrecking crew had been given paperwork with the wrong address.

"Someone's going to pay for this," said Downer. "This is too incredible to believe."

Look out below!

Hymenoptera Bible experts, ducks, should shut the heavy belt and shoes he just threw might return to sender. It landed inches away during the competition in Skiffle, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Husband's deathbed confession . . .

'I fed my battle-ax wife to the piranhas'

HE GOT REVENGE! Lee Malzet

NAGGING wife Maxine Malzet, above left, was eaten by a school of hungry piranhas.

By MICKEY McGUIRE

After years of abuse and humiliation at the hands of his wife Maxine, henpecked hubby Leo Malzet got his sweet revenge — when he pushed her into a river teeming with flesh-eating piranhas!

In a matter of minutes the 200-pound bitch-tyrant was had every shred of flesh stripped from her blubbery carcass.

Leo, 67, related his bizarre tale of mayhem included a sightseeing trip down Maxine while they were on a Brazil's Amazon River ferry cruise.

But little more than a week ago, as cancer-ravaged Leo lay on his deathbed in his home outside Arlon, Belgium, he confessed to his parish priest that Maxine's death had not been an accident, but a calculated act of murder.

"He said that he had nudged his wife into the river knowing that the piranhas would finish her off before anyone could help her," said family friend Christine Martins, who was with the priest to Leo's overlying confession.

"He said it was an act of utter desperation by a man who was at the end of his rope — a man who had been mentally badgered, battered and beaten by a shrew whose only joy in life was to make his life misery."

Martins said Maxine Malzet was a woman unsuited in illusions of grandeur who believed with all her heart that she deserved far better than the life she had with Leo.

"I think she considered him to be cracked," said Martins.

"Remember Leo got her to take the South American tour. That's where he planned to kill her.

"While they were on the trip down the Amazon River, Maxine was standing at the rail of the boat and Leo said he knew the time had come for his wife to die. He told the priest, 'I gave her a bump and let gravity do the rest. She toppled and sank like a rock.'

"He said the water was red with her blood. There were thousands of piranhas chewing on her flesh and they turned the water into a bloody froth. All that was found of Maxine were her bones.

"After Maxine's death, Leo came back to Belgium and crept on with his life.

"He told the priest, 'I met a woman who had been mentally badgered, battered and beaten by a shrew whose only joy in life was to make his life misery.'

"He said the small factory he owned brought a flower shop and started to enjoy some of the things Maxine never allowed him to do.

"When he learned he had terminal cancer, he took it in stride. He was a very happy man right up to the end."

BEAUTY QUEEN Karin Kalb burns thoughts of her Dutch homeland behind as she enjoys a day on the Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., beach.

Jinxed divers

The opening week of a World War I movie has pulled a second jinx, this time in a quarry pond in Long Island, N.Y.

The diving gals of William Howe de Haard are back in the hospital after 15 of their divers, a dangerous diving role, fell victim to other divers who had left their tanks at the bottom of the quarry.

ELEPHANT LOVE

A young Swiss tourist wound up an elephant ride in Thailand. He left it last with the elephant keeper — and married him last night.

Anouk Tschabold, 23, of Lausanne says she's going to quit her job working with computers and live with her husband and his relatives in Chiang Mai, northern Thailand.

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CRIME SCHOOL

Explorer had given up hope after friends died

Bigfoot rescued me from death on an icy ledge!

(TOP SECRET) Emil Stajner owes his life to Bigfoot.

creature gently pulled me to safety!

Terrified explorer Emil Stajner clung to an icy ledge high in the storm-swept Himalayas and stared death in the face for three agonizing hours before being rescued — by a giant, lumbering Bigfoot!

By STAN KAPLOW

"There is no doubt the creature saved my life," the shaken Stajner told a scientific journal in Belgrade, Yugoslavia.

"I had watched my companions plunge a thousand feet down the mountain and could feel the ledge slowly crumbling beneath my feet. I knew I couldn't last much longer.

"I had given up all hope of life when the beast appeared from out of nowhere to save me."

Stajner's harrowing adventure unfolded while he and seven other Yugoslav mountaineers were conducting weather studies near Mount Everest in Nepal.

Stajner and two colleagues, Duman Imes and Ivan Modem, were setting up their equipment on a shelf six miles from the base camp when horror struck.

"We thought we were on safe footing, but suddenly the ice and snow gave way under us," the 31-year-old scientist recalled.

"It happened so fast. Duman and Ivan screamed and fell into the precipice. I have memories of their bodies shooting down and I thought I was going to die with them.

"But I started to slide and fought desperately to hang on. Somehow I wound up unhurt on a ledge about three feet wide and 10 feet down."

The frightened father of four huddled on the precipitous perch for hours staring a thousand feet straight down the mountain and thinking about the loved ones he'd left at home.

"To me, all hope was lost," Stajner said. "I knew no one would find me there.

"Then I heard a commotion from the shelf above and when I looked up there was the Bigfoot peering down at me. He was massive, at least 8 feet tall and completely covered with hair.

"It was like something out of science fiction. Suddenly he began hoisting one of the safety ropes we'd left on the ledge. I grabbed the rope and tied it under my arms and around my waist. He untied me, and then slowly and carefully pulled me to safety.

"He was so strong my weight was like nothing to him. He pulled me onto solid ground and then hunkered away."

Stajner made his way back to camp and a search party was organized for the missing scientists, but their bodies were never found.

"The only thing we found on the ledge was what was left of my rope," said Stajner. "It looked as if it had been chewed through."

Stajner's story has been backed up by Sherpa guides who say they've seen Bigfoot tracks in the area.

"We were tempted to follow the prints but our first concern was the search for our friends.

"By the time we gave up the search, the snow had wiped out the prints. But none of us who saw them doubts that what Emil has told us is true — his life was saved by a Bigfoot, the

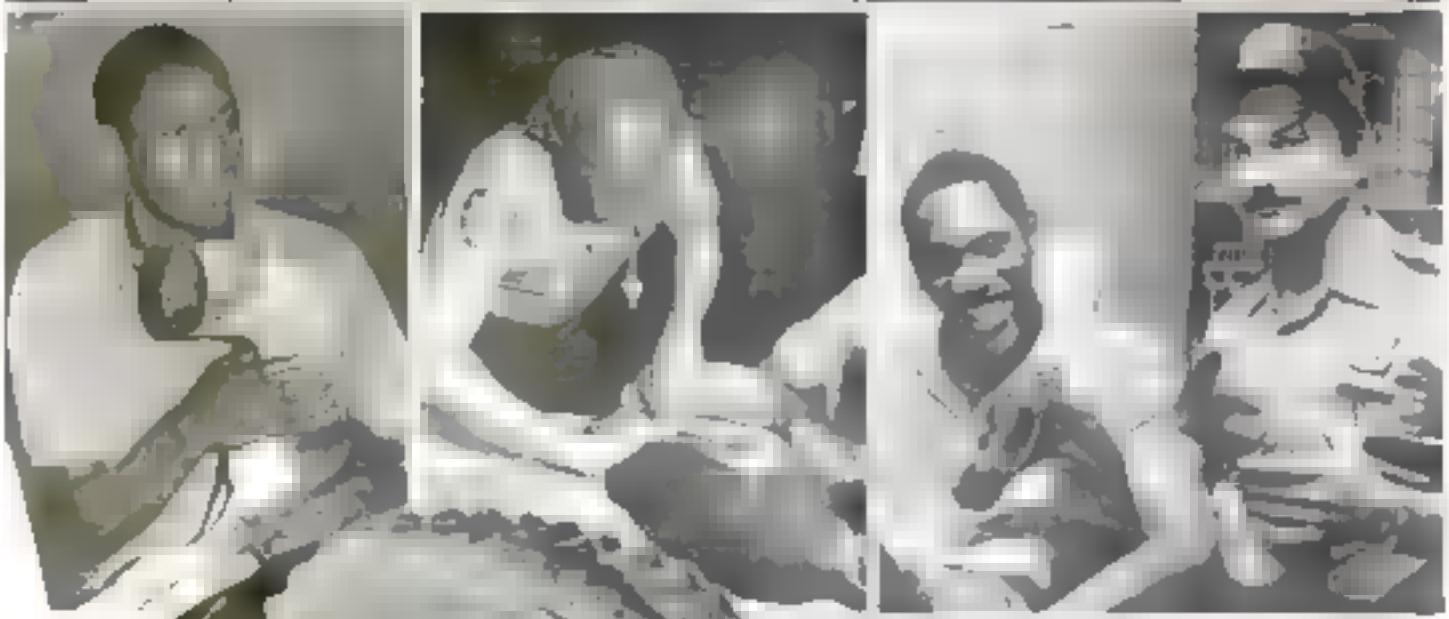
Baby killer hired as social worker

County bigwigs didn't know the woman they hired as a medical social worker had served more than five years in prison for killing her daughter.

The state of South Carolina suspended the work license of Priscilla Phillips after discovering she was convicted of poisoning her child's baby formula 13 years ago, in San Rafael, Calif.

After serving her sentence for murder, Priscilla got a job in Anderson County, S.C. No one checked her background until a newspaper reporter discovered her secret.

Pooch pokes his nose where it doesn't belong



PUP-IN-A-PIPE scenes at police station in the area of his owner Mark Hamilton (left), three police officers work to free the mutt (center). Finally pup is freed (right).

SNOOT-FULL OF TROUBLE!

Curiosity may have killed the cat but it got a dumb mutt stuck in Hamilton into a mess of trouble when he poked his snout into a metal drainpipe and couldn't get it out.

No matter how hard he tried, Hamilton's owner Mark Hamilton couldn't free the pup so Hamilton rushed the pup-in-the-pipe to the nearest police station in Brooklyn, N.Y.

WITH only his snout sticking out, Hamilton got nervous and wound up stuck in a drainpipe. The nosy pooch spent some uncomfortable moments

When efforts failed to remove it, police called in specialists from Emergency Services.

After about 30 minutes of twisting and turning the pooch's trapped mutt's head, finally it began free Hamilton shook himself off and hopped into the arms of his owner, none the worse for wear after the ordeal.

"But I'll bet he's got an 'awful' headache," joked one of Hamilton's rescuers.

U.S. agents grab Saddam Hussein's limo

Saddam Hussein has lost his limo — to the U.S. Customs Service!

Customs agents seized the $300,000 armored Cadillac limo from a repair shop in Livonia, Mich., where it was sent for an engine overhaul.

The car was held under an [illegible] authority of President Bush's executive order freezing Iraqi assets in the U.S.

This limo is bomb-proof, able to withstand point-blank rifle blasts, and is equipped with bulletproof tires and tear-gas dispensers. What an enjoyment vehicle!

Thanks, NEWS readers

Your 1,000s of cards and letters cheered up my little grandson's tragic last days

Brave Jonathan Rondares has lost his heroic fight against leukemia — but his final days were brightened by the thousands of cards and letters sent to him by *NEWS* readers, says his grandma.

The cancer-stricken 5-year-old Californian, whose story was reported in the August 14 issue of *The NEWS*, battled his silent killer right to the end, undergoing intense chemotherapy, repeated blood transfusions, and injections of experimental drugs.

"The last five weeks of Jonathan's life were a struggle to survive," said Doris Pinho, Jonathan's grandmother. "He lost his hair time and time again. But the thousands of letters he received from *NEWS* readers were a great comfort to him and his family.

"We know that Jonathan's pain is gone and that now he's an angel in heaven with God," Mrs. Pinho said.

"Although we still miss him, we know that God will love him as much as we did.

"The Rondares family thanks all of you from the bottom of their hearts.

"Your love, concern, and prayers were a great source of strength to all of us during this difficult time.

"We'll never be able to forget what you did for Jonathan in the last days of his life," said Mrs. Pinho.

— CINDY CYRIS

BRAVE Jonathan Rondares battled acute lymphoblastic leukemia most of his life.

Man videotapes 23,000 miles of Florida highway

Doug Gunn doesn't mind people calling his videos boring. He's just doing his job, videotaping the State of Florida's entire road system — all 23,000 miles of it!

Gunn, who works for the Florida Department of Transportation's Roadway Characteristics Inventory Section, spends five days a week, 10 weeks a year driving and videotaping every road maintained by the state.

He travels the road system in both directions, taking three years to log the entire system. And when he's done, he starts all over again. "The tapes are the most boring things you'll ever see in your life," says a co-worker.

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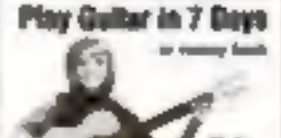

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Blind man can see!

. . . after wife bonks him with a bucket!

By SCOTTY BAIR

Blind Kevin Willis was doomed to a life of darkness until his wife playfully bopped him with a plastic bucket — and miraculously restored his sight.

"I can see. I can see. Thank God, I can see," cried the 28-year-old family man as tears of happiness rolled down his cheeks.

Like an incredible gift from heaven, the prankish tap from the bucket freed a trapped nerve that rendered Willis sightless a year ago.

Willis lost vision in his right eye when he was struck by a stick in a childhood accident. Then a mysterious nerve ailment in his left eye last year made him totally blind.

It was while playing with his family in the garden of their Notts, England, home that Willis' wife struck the blow that restored his sight.

"He grabbed me, so I gave him one back with the bucket," said his frisky wife Karen. "It was only a tap."

There have been many changes in the once-gloomy Willis home since he stepped into his sightless life. His son, Jason, is now 3 and his daughter, Julie, is 7.

"You have no idea what a thrill it is to see . . . I mean really see . . . your children again," said Willis. "Doctors had told me there was no hope.

"Jason's got long, curly blond hair, blue eyes and a smile that can melt your troubles away.

"And Julie, well, she's becoming quite a little lady, primping in front of the mirror."

Soon there will be a new child Willis thought he would never see.

Karen is expecting the couple's third baby in just a matter of days.

"Everyone was just stunned when Kevin got his sight back," said Karen. "Especially my mother.

"He threw away his white cane, turned to my mum and said, 'Haven't you put on a little weight?' "

KAREN WILLIS says she was just playing around as she threw how she hit hubby Kevin and restored his sight.

Clubbed to death

Ecuadoy golfer Carlo Marconi, 15, was killed on a course in Fraserburgh, Scotland, when he was struck in the neck by a friend's backswing.

Baby in

By RON KELLEY

MELBOURNE, Australia — A quick-thinking midwife saved the life of a premature infant by using a bizarre living incubator to nourish the tiny baby — a female kangaroo!

Quick-thinking midwife saves infant's life

The 1-pound, 3-ounce child spent four weeks in the pouch of a tame kangaroo after she was born nine weeks early at a cattle station, according to news reports.

Pediatricians who examined the child three months after her birth credit the bizarre procedure with saving the child's life.

Physicians in the United States have used a related method to treat another premie when they placed the infant in a makeshift pouch attached to her mother.

But this is the first reported incident of a kangaroo being used as a surrogate mom, American experts say.

According to Australian sources, the premature infant girl was born August 29 to the wife of a cattle foreman at an isolated cattle station in the rugged Australian outback.

A midwife attended the birth.

"The child was born with a very low birth weight and seemed weak and frail," the midwife told reporters.

"There was no possibility of transporting her to the nearest hospital — more than 100 miles away.

"I improvised with the only resources I had available. I knew mother kangaroos protected and nourished their young for months in nature's finest incubator and I decided to do the same thing using a tame female kangaroo that

10 tips to get you and your mate talking again

Can't get your mate to talk? Here are 10 tips from an expert that will help you open the lines of communication.

By CHERYL FOX

✓ **Get close.** "Physical closeness invites intimate conversation," says psychiatrist Steven S. Sharing, coauthor of the book *How to Win Back the One You Love*.

✓ **Use flattery.** "Praise is one of the most powerful conversation prompters ever invented," Dr. Sharing said. "Everyone responds to compliments."

✓ **Find areas of agreement.** Chances are, you and your mate have a lot in common — some kinds of music, restaurants, hobbies, etc. "One of the best ways to get a conversation started — and keep it going — is via these areas of mutual agreement."

✓ **Stay attentive.** "Nobody likes to maintain a dialogue with someone who looks distracted or disinterested. If you let your appearance go, it's a 'put-down' to the person you're married to."

✓ **Draw your mate out by using a conversational "echo."** "Repeat the last few words your spouse said by saying them like a question," suggests Dr. Sharing. "For example, if your mate says, 'Leave me alone . . . You're bothering me,' you can counter with, 'I'm bothering you? How?' Get your partner to elaborate."

✓ **Set the stage.** "Put your mate on center stage. Make him or her the 'star.' Be an attentive audience. Make certain there are no competing acts — take the phone off the hook, turn off the TV."

✓ **Don't be critical.** "People hate to be criticized for any reason. They usually clam up when their faults are brought to attention."

✓ **Don't talk.** "Posting children are not very likable — posting adults less so. A constant frown or sullen attitude will squelch, not stimulate, conversation."

✓ **Don't make your spouse feel you're superior.** "Verbal 'I'm better than you' power plays are conversation stoppers," said Dr. Sharing. "The fact that your mate smokes and you don't or your spouse drinks and you never touch a drop will not generate satisfying communication."

✓ **Don't be predictable.** If you've said something 100 times and it's done no good, saying it one more time won't improve anything, he said. "If your mate has pissed you out, jolt him or her with something totally unexpected."

kept alive kangaroo's pouch

FEMALE kangaroo's pouch is a living incubator.

was a pet on the cattle station."

The midwife tucked the tiny child into the kangaroo's warm, protected pouch and left her there for several weeks, removing her only for feedings and diaper changes. The environment of the pouch kept the helpless infant from losing precious moisture and heat through her thin skin, a fact experts credit with the baby's survival.

"The only difficulty I encountered was the unexpected attachment that developed between the kangaroo and her human baby," the midwife said.

"Toward the end, the kangaroo became upset when I removed the baby from her pouch.

"That was when we decided to let the child do the rest on her own. She was ready."

Today, the amazing kangaroo baby is in excellent health and passed a recent physical with flying colors. She now weighs 7 pounds 3 ounces, her mother says.

"When I tell her my little 'kangaroo baby' people look at me like I'm crazy," said the woman, who asked to remain anonymous. "But that doesn't bother me because I know the animal saved my daughter's life. I'll always be grateful for that."

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